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## JOHNSTON LETTER.

### Modern Hotel to be Built. Delegates to District Conference. Four-Minute Speakers Busy.

It is rumored that before long a commodious and up-to-date hotel will be erected on the eastern side of Main street, which will cost \$30,000. For some time the town has stood in need of such and it is hoped that this will soon materialize.

On last Sunday Mr. J. A. Lott and Dr. J. A. Doby went to Chestnut Hill church in interest of the Campaign work. They came back enthused and full of inspiration.

The four-minute speakers here at the Baptist church on Sunday morning were Mr. Will DuBose of Mt. Pleasant, Mr. Paul Quattlebaum of Ridge Spring and Hon. E. C. Ridgell of Batesburg. Their messages were inspiring ones and it was a joy to hear them.

Last week there was held a conference of the Presbyterian Woman's Mission Societies of this district at Aiken, and those from here who attended were Mrs. J. W. Marsh, Mrs. Alice Cox, Mrs. Fannie Hoyt and Mrs. Charles Lamb. Following the business session at the church the body was entertained at the manse.

The past Saturday was observed all over the state by the Baptist Sunday school members as work day for Connie Maxwell Orphanage. The Sunday before when it was announced, the sum of \$500 was named as an amount that ought to go from this Sunday school for such a cause.

Everyone was hoping that this would be reached. When the total amount of all classes was read out, the gift was \$653.48 and there were several fervent amens.

At an early date, a glee club will be organized at the High School. There are a number of good singers among the pupils and an entertainment by the glee club is going to be an anticipated pleasure.

Mr. and Mrs. Brunson of Savannah are guests in the home of the latter's aunt, Mrs. Mamie Huiett.

Mr. Mal Anderson has returned from Atlanta, having completed a business course.

Miss Clara Sawyer is at home again from a visit to her sister, Mrs. Henry Clark, at Trenton.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry C. Strother and little son, are now domiciled in their home here, and are being cordially welcomed by their friends.

Those from here who went over to attend the district conference of the South Carolina Federation were Mrs. C. P. Corn, district vice-president, Miss Frances Turner and Mrs. O. D. Black from the Apollo Music club, Miss Zena Payne to present the work of a department of state work, and from the New Century club, Miss Clara Sawyer and Mrs. J. W. Marsh. Mrs. J. H. White also attended.

Miss Gladys Price has gone to Aiken to visit her sister, Mrs. Teague Price.

Mrs. C. D. Kenney and Mrs. D. D. Moorer and little son, were recent visitors in the home of Mrs. J. A. Lott.

Mrs. Fannie Kenney Moseley was here last week for a visit. She was on her way to Washington, D. C., where her daughter has a government position.

Miss Dakota Lecroy has returned from a few days' stay at Denmark, being called there on the death of her grandmother.

On October 4th, at Wadley, Ga., Mrs. Effie Hart Gaston and Mr. James Haroly were married. The wedding was a quiet one. Mrs. Haroly has been here with her mother, Mrs. Victoria Hart, for the past year.

Miss Annie Mae Reames has accepted position as teacher of Pardue school near Augusta.

The New Century club met with Mrs. John Olin Eidson on Tuesday afternoon and the chief business concerned the work of the Red Cross. Each member signed one of the cards signifying their willingness to aid in securing new members. It was voted to order bulbs for the social service committee to use when flowers could not be secured.

The club this year is studying "The Jew," and during the program

a splendid paper by Mrs. David Kellar, was read on the history of the Jews from the days of Kings to the Christian era. Mrs. J. A. Lott had charge of the question box and Miss Mallie Waters. The program closed with a piano solo by Miss Evans. Besides the members, there were present the young lady teachers of the High school and of Bethlehem school.

A dainty salad course with iced tea was served.

Miss Mabel Thrailkill of Macon, Ga., is visiting her parents.

Mr. David Howard has gone to North Carolina to purchase a new supply of furniture for his store.

Mr. Willard Jordan of LaFollette, Tennessee, is expected this week for a visit to friends.

Mrs. J. L. Walker returned last Sunday with her little son, Dawson, from the Baptist Hospital where he underwent an operation. He is now rapidly improving.

Mrs. E. A. Schnell has returned from Atlanta after a visit to relatives.

Mr. Tom Milford happened to a painful accident on last Monday, in trying to stop a pair of runaway mules. He had them almost under control and was in front of them, when the mules made a sudden dash forward, and Mr. Milford, no doubt, would have sustained serious, if not fatal injuries, if his presence of mind had not saved him. He threw himself on the ground and the team passed over him, without crushing him, as he was in the centre of the wheel tracks.

Mrs. Grace Crouch is expected this week from Mullins to spend a while here.

Mrs. H. W. Crouch has gone to the Margaret Wright Hospital for treatment.

Miss Ellis of the Bethlehem school and Miss Kathl ... are visiting in the home of Mrs. Olin Eidson.

## Efird's State Fair Bargains.

In a full page advertisement in this issue the Efird Department Store of Columbia makes some very attractive offers to State Fair visitors. In the first place, railroad fare to the extent of fifty miles will be paid to all persons who spend as much as \$50 at this popular store, and half fare will be paid to those who spend \$25. In addition to this offer, this great department store of the capital city offers some very attractive prices, bargains that can not be overlooked by fair visitors. Read the advertisement and call at this store when in Columbia.

## Music Club Organized.

A few weeks ago a meeting of the musical talent of Edgefield was held in the Baraca room of the Baptist church for the purpose of organizing a club in which music might be studied and enjoyed. This was accomplished and Mrs. Lovick Mims was elected president.

On October 9, the first regular meeting of the club was held at the home of Misses Elizabeth and June Rainsford. During the business hour the name of the club was discussed and it was decided that it should be "Philharmonic." At the close of the business meeting Miss Ruth Tompkins, chairman of the program committee, presided over the program. The subject was "Music of American Indians," and the program was as follows:

"Beauties in the Music of American Indians," by Mrs. Tillman.

"From the Land of the Sky-blue Water," Mrs. Carwile.

Current Events, Miss June Rainsford.

"The Eagle"—Miss Gladys Padgett.

"The Weavers"—Miss Rosela Parker.

A delicious ice course was served by Misses Rainsford after which the meeting adjourned to meet again in November with Mrs. Carwile at Miss Rosela Parker's home.

**WANTED:** One live representative for Edgefield and community, to the right party I have an attractive proposition to offer.

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## Clemson College Has Prepared a Statement on Cost of Growing Cotton.

The cotton farmers of the South can make an average profit of \$7.44 net profit per acre on 35-cent cotton, despite the fact that the great acreage abandonment for 1919 has resulted in a production of less than a third of a bale to the acre; at 30 cents a pound there is slight profit, and there would be \$15.19 net profit per acre if the price were 40 cents a pound, according to a statement from D. W. Watkins, acting director of the extension department of Clemson College, prepared for Governor Cooper by special request, and made public by the Governor Saturday.

Mr. Watkins says that the government's estimate of the cotton crop and the acreage prophesies an average production of only 31 bales to acre this season. The statement of the Clemson official regarding the cost of producing cotton is based on government estimates of the 1919 crop. Mr. Watkins says:

The estimated acreage being cultivated in cotton on June 25th was 33,960,000 acres. This is the acreage which should be used in computing the cost of producing cotton, even though some of it may have to be abandoned subsequently, for the reason that even on the abandoned acreage practically all the items of ex-

pense were incurred except picking and ginning. The dead loss of income from abandoned acreage is a much severer blow to the farmer than if he had broken even.

Taking 33,996,000 bales as the acreage, and the government estimate of 10,696,000 bales as the crop, we have as the estimated production per acre 31 bales. Counting 1,400 pounds seed cotton to make a 500 pounds of lint (which is very near the average), this means that we have an acreage production averaging 434 pounds of seed cotton per acre. This means 155 pounds lint and 279 pounds seed.

I submit the following as the most accurate estimate that I can make covering the average per acre cost of producing cotton over the entire belt. Some of the items of expense are greater than given in certain localities, but this is given as an estimate of the average cost.

### Expenses.

Rent of land	---	\$ 5.00
Preparing and planting	---	9.00
Seed	---	1.00
Fertilizers 200 lb. at \$50	---	5.00
Six cultivations at \$2	---	12.00
Two hoeings at \$3 each	---	6.00
Picking 434 lbs. at \$2	---	8.68
Hauling to gin	---	3.50
Ginning, bagging and ties	---	5.00

### RETURNS

	At 30c per lint	At 35c per lint	At 40c per lint
155 pounds lint	46.50	54.25	62.00
279 pounds seed at \$60.00	8.37	8.37	8.37
Total returns	54.87	62.62	70.37
Estimated cost of production	55.18	55.18	55.18
Net profit per acre	7.44	7.44	15.19

The items of expense would be increased somewhat more in some localities. "Preparing and planting" should be included cost of hauling from field and wagon. A few small items of cost are not included and may, in some localities, amount to an overcharge on any item.

## Strong Lyceum Course.

The Knowlton Glee and Banjo Club will be the first of our lyceum series, beginning the winter's course of five attractions, all of the highest order. It is impossible to say which is best. Each one is best in its line, and we are looking for the hearty support of our whole county.

The Knowltons are to come to us on Monday, November 3rd. Their specimen program will give you an idea of what is in store for those who are so fortunate as to hear them. Remember that these people are not of questionable character, but are clean and high toned, and you will not be forced to hear low jokes against your wills. You will go away refreshed and sorry to see them leave our town. Remember, that what you hear and what you read and what you see, feeds your minds, and builds your characters, just as

what you eat feeds your bodies and builds your tissues, so come out to hear the Knowlton Glee and Banjo Club and enjoy some genuine high toned, clean amusement.

## Texas Letter.

For The Edgefield Advertiser:

Let it be borne in mind that I am a native of South Carolina, born in Edgefield District, as it was known then, and I have never learned not to love the dear old home of my childhood. I am still in the Lone Star State of Texas, located in Mitchell County near Colorado City, it being situated on the banks of the Colorado river.

Our crops in this section are abundant this year following a tree years' drouth, but the weather up to this time has been anything else but ideal for saving a crop. Here we raise cotton and we have a good cot-

ton country. So far, it has been free from the boll weevil. We have the boll worm and leaf worm to contend with some time. Our feed crop consists of milomaize, kaffir corn and sorghum cane for roughness.

Our citizenship consists of as good people as there are to be found. Our climate is ideal. Our school system I suppose, is second to none in the South, East, North or West. But my mind goes back occasionally to my childhood days and I often think of one occasion of the fate of an American. Thus it used to be a child was born in a log cabin, educated in a log school house and elected president. Nowadays he is born in a palace, fed out of a silver spoon, moved to town, sent to a good high school and run over by an automobile.

I am still receiving the dear old Advertiser. If this fails to find its way to the waste basket I may come again.

E. M. McCRELESS.

Colorado, Texas.

## Fall Term of Court.

Monday morning the fall term of the court of general sessions convened, with Judge S. W. G. Shipp presiding. Solicitor Timmerman and the other court officials were promptly at their respective posts. After the court was organized and the judge charged the grand jury, the solicitor handed out a number of indictments and true bills were found in the following cases:

Oscar Martin, murder; Willie Robinson, murder; Elijah Cheatham, house breaking and larceny; Albert Fulton, larceny; Wallace Chinn, assault and battery with intent to kill; George Washington, house breaking and larceny; Mike Brooks, taking and using an automobile without consent; Joe Andrews, malicious mischief; Willie Williams, Colonel Hunt, John Young, Robert Holmes, John Duff and Elmer Jones, malicious mischief; George Peck, rape; Montgomery Harrison, assault and battery with intent to kill and carrying concealed weapons, no bill on first count and true bill on second count.

Elijah Cheatham pleaded guilty to the charge of house breaking and larceny and was given a sentence of two years on the chaingang.

George Washington pleaded guilty to house breaking and larceny and was sentenced to six months on the chaingang.

Mose Eidson was convicted of carrying concealed weapons and was given a sentence of 30 days on the chaingang. He was defended by W. H. Nicholson and the State was represented by the solicitor.

Willie Roberson, indicted for murder, was acquitted. He was represented by N. G. Evans and the State by the solicitor.

At the hour of closing our forms this morning the court is engaged with the trial of Wallace Chinn, charged with assault and battery with intent to kill. He is represented by N. G. Evans and the State by the solicitor.

The grand jury completed its work Tuesday and was discharged after making its report.

## Edgefield Post Organized.

Sunday afternoon immediately after the close of the meeting held in the interest of the memorial building fund all the young white soldiers present met and organized a branch of the American Legion by electing the following officers: James O. Sheppard, Commander; Frank Adams, vice-commander, and Paul Cogburn, finance officer. Another meeting will be held to enroll members and complete the organization the afternoon of the second Sunday in November. All white soldiers and sailors in the county are invited and urged to be present at that time.

## Indigestion, Billiousness, Constipation.

Chamberlain's Tablets have restored to health and happiness hundreds who were afflicted with indigestion, billiousness and constipation. If you are troubled in this way give them a trial. You are certain to be pleased for they will benefit you.

## Meeting at Baptist Church Sunday Afternoon.

As announce last week, a meeting was held in the Baptist church Sunday afternoon at 4:30 o'clock in the interest of the Memorial Building campaign, County Chairman J. H. Cantelou acting as master of ceremonies. Hon. Christie Benet of Columbia had been engaged to deliver an address but Sunday morning Mr. Cantelou received a telegram stating that he could not come. Just a short time before the meeting Mr. Cantelou requested Mr. James O. Sheppard to speak in Mr. Benet's stead. The service was opened with prayer by Rev. A. L. Gunter who thanked God for the loyalty, bravery and fidelity of the young men who went out from this county to serve their country, and he also expressed profound gratitude for the safe return of such a large number of our boys. The invocation was followed by a male quartette, four young men from the Baraca class. The next number was a violin solo by Miss Sabe Miller of Trenton, with organ accompaniment by Mrs. Mamie Tillman.

After stating at some length the object of the meeting and reading the act of the legislature providing for the erection of a Memorial building in Columbia to the memory of those who lost their lives in the late war and to those who enlisted for military service, Mr. Simkins presented the speaker of the afternoon, Mr. James O. Sheppard, who, in spite of the very short notice given, made a very effective address. He called attention to what other states, the national government and the countries overseas are doing to honor those who served their country and urged the people of Edgefield county to have a creditable part in the undertaking. Mr. Sheppard's address was followed by the singing of "The Star-Spangled Banner" by the Baraca class, and a reading of "The Declaration of Independence" by the Baraca class.

A solo by Mrs. A. D. Carwile was also a pleasing feature of the occasion.

Mr. Cantelou now called for voluntary contributions at the close which amounted to about \$435. The people of Edgefield county have been asked to raise \$3,775 for the Memorial Building, and it is hoped that there will be a generous and prompt response to the appeals of the county chairman.

## School Notice.

The compulsory school attendance law requires that all children between the ages of eight and fourteen years shall attend school four consecutive months. To better suit the convenience of all concerned, we apply the law from November 1, 1919, to March 1, 1920. If a school is in session for less than four months, attendance for full term is required.

W. W. FULLER,

Co. Supt. Education.

## D. A. R. Meeting.

The Daughters of the American Revolution held a delightful meeting with Mrs. D. B. Hollingsworth on Tuesday afternoon, the Regent, Miss Collett, presiding. Several matters of business were taken up, and communications read by Mrs. A. A. Woodson and Mrs. P. P. Blalock, Jr.

Miss Grace Brumbaugh, the county supervising nurse, was introduced as a guest and talked very entertainingly of her experience as a Red Cross nurse in France.

The subject for discussion was the Constitution of the United States, led by the historian, Mrs. J. L. Mims.

As a preface to the Constitution, Mrs. Mims gave some of the immediate causes that led to the Revolution and the Declaration of Independence was read by Mrs. Mamie Tillman, who gave a sketch of Thomas Jefferson, the gifted and versatile author.

The Articles of Confederation were discussed, and then the Constitution was taken up by articles and discussed by Miss Collett, Mrs. J. W. Peak, Mrs. F. M. Warren and others.

At the close of the meeting Mrs. Hollingsworth served a salad course with iced tea and sliced banana cream and cake.